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ASSEMBLY AGENDA

ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS

350 E. DAHLIA AVENUE, PALMER

(Teleconferenced to Susitna Valley High School; Mile 98.6 Parks Hwy.)

REGULAR MEETING

6 P.M.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2006

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

V. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS

A. Regular Assembly Meeting: 02/07/06

VI. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

A. AGENCY REPORTS

1. Reports from cities
2. Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Joint Assembly/School Board Committee on School Issues
2. Regional Transportation Planning Organization
3. Assembly Public Relations Committees
 - a. Chambers of Commerce
 - b. School Board
 - c. Cities
 - d. Home Builders and Realtors Associations
 - e. Community Councils
 - f. Civic Clubs
 - g. Non-Profit Organizations

C. MANAGER COMMENTS

1. State/Federal Legislation

D. ATTORNEY COMMENTS

E. CLERK COMMENTS

F. CITIZEN AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

1. MSB Board/Committee Minutes:
 - a. Knik Road Service Area No. 17: 01/26/06
 - b. Local Road Service Area Advisory Board: 01/19/06
 - c. Senior Citizens Advisory Board: 01/16/06
 - d. Planning Commission: 01/23/06
 - e. Platting Board: 01/05/06, 01/19/06
 - f. Talkeetna Sewer and Water Service Area No. 36: 12/29/05
2. Community Council Correspondence:
 - a. Glacier View Community Council: 01/19/06
 - b. Trapper Creek Community Council: 01/19/06

G. INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUMS

VII. SPECIAL ORDERS (to begin at 7 p.m.)

A. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (Three minutes per person.)

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS (Three minutes per person.)

1. Resolution Serial No. 06-020: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF THE MSB REVISED COASTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN TO THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR PURPOSES OF MEETING THE MARCH 1, 2006, STATUTORY DEADLINE.
 - a. IM No. 06-035
2. Ordinance Serial No. 06-037: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$500,000 FROM THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY, COMMERCE, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO FUND 475, PROJECT NO. 20351, THE ALASKA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION HOME OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM.
 - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-021: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO AMEND THE TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT (TORA) WITH THE ALASKA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.
 - (1) IM No. 06-046
3. Ordinance Serial No. 06-038: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 23.10.270(H) AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO ACQUIRE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY WITHOUT COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION.
 - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-022: A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A NEW SECTION IN THE LAND MANAGEMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL TITLED, PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION PROCEDURES.
 - (1) IM No. 06-049
4. Ordinance Serial No. 06-039: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 15.24.030(B), GLACIER VIEW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, TO INCLUDE THE SHEEP MOUNTAIN SUB-DISTRICT CHAPTER.
 - a. IM No. 06-051

5. Ordinance Serial No. 06-040: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$7,993.83 FROM THE MATANUSKA TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION TO A NON-LAPSING CAPITAL FUND 440, PROJECT NO. 20323, FOR UPGRADING AND ENHANCING THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION SERVICES IN THE BOROUGH LIBRARIES.
 - a. IM No. 06-054
6. Ordinance Serial No. 06-041: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING A \$20,000 GRANT TO FUND 480, PROJECT NO. 20322, FROM THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE FOR COMPLETION OF PHASE II OF THE STREAM BANK RESTORATION AT WILLOW CREEK.
 - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-024: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR COMPLETING A STREAM BANK RESTORATION PROJECT ALONG WILLOW CREEK.
 - (1) IM No. 06-055
7. Ordinance Serial No. 06-043: AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$97,712 OF INTEREST EARNINGS ON THE 2001 SERIES A GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS TO FUND 400, SCHOOL CAPITAL PROJECTS, PROJECT NO. 40138 FOR THE UPGRADE AND PAVING OF NORTH GULKANA STREET AND EAST EAGLE AVENUE AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT.
 - a. IM No. 06-059
8. Ordinance Serial No. 06-044: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$673,858 FROM THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION AND \$17,733 FROM THE STATE OF ALASKA AND REAPPROPRIATING \$5,233 FROM THE PLANNING DIVISION FISCAL YEAR 2006 OPERATING BUDGET TO FUND 480, PROJECT NO. 20338, FOR A DEVELOPMENT OF A REGIONAL AVIATION SYSTEMS PLAN.
 - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-025: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION AND THE STATE OF ALASKA FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE REGIONAL AVIATION SYSTEMS PLAN.
 - (1) IM No. 06-061

9. Ordinance Serial No. 06-045: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 4.05.050 TO REMOVE TERM LIMITS FOR BOROUGH BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND CHANGING VARIOUS OTHER CODES TO REMOVE CONFLICTING CODE PROVISIONS RELATED TO BOARDS THAT ALREADY WERE ESTABLISHED WITHOUT TERM LIMITS.

(Sponsor: Assemblymember Colberg)

- a. IM No. 06-064

10. Ordinance Serial No. 06-046: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING MSB 4.60, ESTABLISHING THE HUMAN SERVICES CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE. *(Sponsor: Mayor Anderson)*

- a. IM No. 06-067

C. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three minutes per person.)

D. CONSENT AGENDA

1. RESOLUTIONS

- a. Resolution Serial No. 06-027: A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING DATES CERTAIN FOR PAYMENT, DELINQUENCY, PROTEST, AND APPEAL OF 2006 REGULAR TAX ROLLS AND BUSINESS INVENTORY FILING, AND FOR THE COMMENCEMENT OF HEARINGS BEFORE THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.
(1) IM No. 06-068

- b. Resolution Serial No. 06-028: A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE ANIMAL CONTROL BUILDING, PROJECT NO. 10151, TO COMPLETE THE HEATING, VENTILATION, AND AIR CONDITIONING AND ELECTRICAL UPGRADES.
(1) IM No. 06-073

- c. Resolution Serial No. 06-029: A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ADOPTION OF HOUSE BILL 420 AND SENATE BILL 262 WHICH WOULD MAKE CHANGES TO THE FOREST PRACTICES ACT FOR REGION II.
(1) IM No. 06-082

- d. Resolution Serial No. 06-030: A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE COMMUNITY POOLS REPAIR AND RENOVATION, PROJECT NO. 15007, TO INCLUDE THE ADDITION OF AN EMERGENCY CALL BUTTON AND ALARM TO THE SPECIAL NEEDS RESTROOM.
 - (1) IM No. 06-085
- e. Resolution Serial No. 06-031: A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE MUNICIPAL LAND ENTITLEMENT LAND SURVEY, FUND 480, PROJECT NO. 45040.
 - (1) IM No. 06-089
 - (2) AM No. 06-045: AWARD OF PROPOSAL NO. 06-087 TO SANDERS FORESTRY CONSULTING IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$155,089 FOR THE FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN, TIMBER SURVEY, AND APPRAISAL.

2. ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUMS

- a. AM No. 06-035: FUTURE DISPOSITION OF BOROUGH-OWNED LOTS 7 AND 9, ARRC SUBDIVISION REVISED NO. 1 (FORMER SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING).
- b. AM No. 06-036: AWARD OF BID NO. 06-096 TO MAD MOOSE WOOD PRODUCTS, LLC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,775 FOR THE FIRE MITIGATION PROJECT IN THE BURMA ROAD AREA.
- c. AM No. 06-037: AWARD OF BID NO. 06-096 TO SKOOKUM CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$89,460.70 FOR THE FIRE MITIGATION PROJECT IN THE SHIRLEY LAKE AREA.
- d. AM No. 06-038: AWARD OF BID NO. 06-093 TO BELLE ACQUISITIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$206,003.82 FOR THE PURCHASE OF CALCIUM CHLORIDE.

- e. AM No. 06-039: AWARD OF BID NO. 06-094 TO ALASKA PROFESSIONAL CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$109,873 TO CONSTRUCT A PRE-ENGINEERED CONCRETE SLAB WITH A DRAINAGE TRENCH AND AN OIL/WATER SEPARATOR WITHIN THE EXISTING WARM STORAGE FACILITY AT THE CENTRAL LANDFILL.
- f. AM No. 06-040: APPROVING AMENDMENT "A" TO THE 2005 COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, DIVISION OF FORESTRY IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2006, FOR WILDFIRE FUEL REDUCTION.
- g. AM No. 06-041: AWARD OF PROPOSAL NO. 06-091 TO ALASKA RIM ENGINEERING, INC., IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$230,000 FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY AND SURVEY SERVICES.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance Serial No. 05-140: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING MSB 3.15.045, HARDSHIP TAX EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS. *(Sponsors: Assemblymembers Allen, Kvalheim, and Woods) (Motion Pending: 10/18/05)*
 - 1. IM No. 05-129

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. INTRODUCTION (For public hearing - 03/07/06, 7 p.m., Borough Assembly Chambers)
 - 1. Resolution Serial No. 06-032: A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE SOUTH DENALI IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT.
 - a. IM No. 06-052

2. Ordinance Serial No. 06-055: AN ORDINANCE FOR A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$83,300 FROM THE AREAWIDE FUND BALANCE (FUND 100) TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2006 ELECTIONS DIVISION OPERATION BUDGET (FUND 100) FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION. (*Sponsor: Mayor Anderson*)
 - a. IM No. 06-056
3. Ordinance Serial No. 06-056: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CONVEYANCE OF LAND WITHIN THE CITY OF HOUSTON LOCATED IN THE SOUTH $\frac{1}{2}$ NORTHEAST $\frac{1}{4}$ SOUTHEAST $\frac{1}{4}$, NORTHEAST $\frac{1}{4}$ NORTHEAST $\frac{1}{4}$ SOUTHEAST $\frac{1}{4}$, NORTH $\frac{1}{2}$ NORTHWEST $\frac{1}{4}$ NORTHEAST $\frac{1}{4}$ SOUTHEAST $\frac{1}{4}$, SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, SEWARD MERIDIAN, ALASKA, TO THE CITY OF HOUSTON FOR LESS THAN FAIR MARKET VALUE TO BE USED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.
 - a. IM No. 06-062
4. Ordinance Serial No. 06-057: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 15.24.030(B) TO INCLUDE THE MAT-SU BOROUGH PRIMARY HEALTHCARE PLAN 2005-2015.
 - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-033: A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ASSEMBLY REGARDING THE NEED, ROLE, COMPOSITION, AND AUTHORITY OF A BOROUGH HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD OR COMMITTEE.
 - (1) IM No. 06-069
5. Ordinance Serial No. 06-058: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$6,500 FROM THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT TO FUND 440, PROJECT NO. 20363, FOR PURCHASING PUBLIC ACCESS COMPUTERS AT THE BIG LAKE, SUTTON, TALKEETNA, TRAPPER CREEK, AND WILLOW PUBLIC LIBRARIES.
 - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-034: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET TO UPGRADE THE PUBLIC ACCESS COMPUTERS AT THE BIG LAKE, SUTTON, TALKEETNA, TRAPPER CREEK, AND WILLOW PUBLIC LIBRARIES.
 - (1) IM No. 06-077

6. Ordinance Serial No. 06-059: AN ORDINANCE REQUESTING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$36,000 FROM THE GREATER PALMER FIRE SERVICE AREA FUND BALANCE, FUND 259, TO THE GREATER PALMER FIRE SERVICE AREA FISCAL YEAR 2006 OPERATING BUDGET, FUND 259, TO PURCHASE A VEHICLE.
 - a. IM No. 06-078
7. Ordinance Serial No. 06-060: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$40,000 FROM THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE TO PROJECT NO. 30084, WOLF AND TAMARACK ROADS CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT.
 - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-035: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE WOLF AND TAMARACK ROADS CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT, PROJECT NO. 30084.
 - (1) IM No. 06-080
8. Ordinance Serial No. 06-061: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$3,000 FROM THE ALASKA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO FUND 480, PROJECT NO. 20364, FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION GRANTS AT THE BIG LAKE, TALKEETNA, AND WILLOW PUBLIC LIBRARIES.
 - a. Resolution Serial No. 06-036: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION GRANTS FOR THE BIG LAKE, TALKEETNA, AND WILLOW PUBLIC LIBRARIES.
 - (1) IM No. 06-081
9. Ordinance Serial No. 06-062: AN ORDINANCE REAPPROPRIATING \$20,000 FROM BOGARD ROAD SERVICE AREA CAPITAL PROJECTS, FUND 410, PROJECT NO. 30045, TO THE BOGARD ROAD SERVICE AREA OPERATING BUDGET, FUND 279.
 - a. IM No. 06-087
10. Ordinance Serial No. 06-063: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$32,500 FROM THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE TO PROJECT NO. 30083, LOWER ROAD BRIDGE PROJECT.

- a. Resolution Serial No. 06-037: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE LOWER ROAD BRIDGE PROJECT, PROJECT NO. 30083.
 - (1) IM No. 06-088
- 11. Ordinance Serial No. 06-064: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 4.40.020, LIBRARY BOARD MEMBERSHIP, TO MAKE THE APPOINTMENT PROCESS OF MEMBERS CONSISTENT WITH THE MAYORAL VACANCY/ASSEMBLY APPOINTMENT PROCESS. (*Sponsor: Mayor Anderson*)
 - a. IM No. 06-090

B. INTRODUCTION (For public hearing - 03/21/06, 7 p.m., Borough Assembly Chambers)

- 1. Ordinance Serial No. 06-047: AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE SHOREWOOD DRIVE AND MISTY LANE ROAD PAVING LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 395 AND ESTABLISHING THE METHOD OF TERMINATING ASSESSMENTS AND MAKING REFUNDS TO PROPERTY OWNERS.
 - a. Ordinance Serial No. 06-048: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$31,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS FOR THE SHOREWOOD DRIVE AND MISTY LANE ROAD PAVING LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 395, AND FIXING DETAILS OF SAID BOND.
 - (1) IM No. 06-070
- 2. Ordinance Serial No. 06-049: AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE KINGS RIDGE SUBDIVISION ROAD PAVING LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 397, AND ESTABLISHING THE METHOD OF TERMINATING ASSESSMENTS AND MAKING REFUNDS TO PROPERTY OWNERS.
 - a. Ordinance Serial No. 06-050: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$29,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS FOR THE KINGS RIDGE SUBDIVISION ROAD PAVING LOCAL IMPROVEMENT

DISTRICT NO. 397, AND FIXING DETAILS OF SAID BONDS.

(1) IM No. 06-071

3. Ordinance Serial No. 06-051: AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE CHINOOK AVENUE NATURAL GAS LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 410 AND ESTABLISHING THE METHOD OF TERMINATING ASSESSMENTS AND MAKING REFUNDS TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

a. Ordinance Serial No. 06-052: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$18,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS FOR THE CHINOOK AVENUE NATURAL GAS LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 410, AND FIXING DETAILS OF SAID BONDS.

(1) IM No. 06-072

4. Ordinance Serial No. 06-053: AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE JADE LAKE AREA NATURAL GAS LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 407 AND ESTABLISHING THE METHOD OF TERMINATING ASSESSMENTS AND MAKING REFUNDS TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

a. Ordinance Serial No. 06-054: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$63,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS FOR THE JADE LAKE AREA NATURAL GAS LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 407, AND FIXING DETAILS OF SAID BONDS.

(1) IM No. 06-075

C. MAYORAL NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

1. VACANCY REPORT

D. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

X. RECONSIDERATION

XI. VETO

- A. Motion to override any possible Mayoral veto of Ordinance Serial No. 06-030(SUB) and Ordinance Serial No. 06-031(SUB) adopted by the Assembly on February 14, 2006.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIII. MAYOR AND ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Mat-Su Valley Frontiersman

Assembly poised to consider

Mat-Su coastal management plan

February 19, 2006

DARRELL L. BREESE\Frontiersman reporter

PALMER - There are countless miles of coastline along the countless lakes, rivers and streams in the Mat-Su Borough. After a vote in 2003 by the Alaska Legislature, every mile of those shorelines was no longer covered by the existing borough management plan.

That is all about to change, as an amendment to the Alaska state management program is ready for approval by the borough assembly Tuesday, but getting to this point wasn't easy. "After the state vote, the borough's coastal plan no longer conformed to the new requirements," said Susan Lee, coastal program coordinator for the borough. "It wasn't simply a matter of updating the plan originally adopted back in 1984, it was a complete rewrite," she said.

The new state requirements regarding coastal management policies, development and access are now limited to saltwater coasts. Most, if not all, river, lakes and streams inside the borough's coastal zone were no longer considered coastal water. Under the state law, the borough's coastal management plan may no longer include policies that address the management of uses and activities located immediately adjacent to rivers, lakes, and streams, unless these water bodies are inside a special designation area. The state allows the districts to create the following designations: recreation, tourism, major energy facilities, natural hazards, commercial fishing and seafood processing, and history and archaeology.

Under the borough's draft, the areas adjacent to rivers and lakes, located within the boundary of the plan, will be designated as a recreation and tourism use area, allowing for development to be considered in the coastal zone just as it is under the current program.

This designation is not a "zone" and does not limit uses to strictly recreation or tourism. With this designation, the borough has input on development actions that require state or federal permits. The coastal zone covered by the plan begins at the eastern tip of Knik Glacier

and travels west, encompassing the Knik River drainage, including the north shores of Knik Arm and Cook Inlet. At the other end of the boundary are the southern slopes of Mount Yenco and Montana Creek.

“In order for the borough to remain actively involved with coastal management, we had to make the special designation,” Lee said. “Otherwise, we would not have input on development actions that require state or federal permits along rivers and lakes.” By including the lake and river shorelines in the recreation and tourism designation, the borough will be able to regulate shoreline development, establish waterline setback requirements, manage sand and gravel extraction and protect historic and natural resources. “Simply put, this plan keeps us involved,” Borough Manager John Duffy said. “Without it, we would be powerless and without a voice in regards to any development in the 4,000 square miles of coastal area within the borough.”

Mat-Su College director resigns

February 19, 2006

Sibling cops crack fraud net

February 19, 2006

Borough attorney submits letter of resignation

February 19, 2006

Trunk Road land buys slated for spring

February 19, 2006

Assembly poised to consider

Mat-Su coastal management plan

Palmer judge grants bail to accused robber

Woman allegedly followed man home from pharmacy, cut him with a knife, tried to steal his medicine

Obscenity issue draws crowd

February 19, 2006

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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

Planning and Land Use Department

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DATE: December 20, 2005

TO: Community Councils and Agencies

THRU: M. Murph O'Brien, Director of Planning and Land Use *S.J. for M.O.*

FROM: Sev Jones, Chief of Planning *S.J.*

SUBJECT: Request for Review and Comments

PROJECT: Draft of MSB 17.02 (Essential Service Utilities)

RESPONSES DUE: February 15, 2006 5:00 p.m.

Attached is a draft ordinance of proposed MSB 17.02 which establishes a public review process for essential services (public utilities) throughout the borough.

The purpose of this chapter is to provide for the installation of essential services such as telephone lines, pipelines, and electric transmission lines in such a manner that any negative impacts to the health, safety and general welfare of borough residents and properties are minimal.

This draft has been revised from a previous draft that was distributed for public comment earlier this year. Please review the revised draft ordinance and provide comments to the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Department, 350 E. Dahlia, Palmer, AK 99645 by **February 15, 2006 at 5:00 p.m.** Comments may be also sent by e-mail to sev.jones@matsugov.us or by fax at 745-9876.

This request for comments formally begins the public review process. Public hearings held before the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission and Assembly will provide additional opportunities for public comments. If you have questions concerning the public hearing schedule or review process, please contact Sev Jones, Chief of Planning, at 745-9856.

Public Notice
Matanuska-Susitna Borough
Notice of Amendment to Borough
Coastal Management Plan

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough invites public comments on the Final Draft of the amended Matanuska-Susitna Borough Coastal Management Plan. As required and provided in the provisions of House Bill 191 (Chapter 24, SLA 2003), the Matanuska-Susitna Borough has developed a Amendment of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough CMP in accordance with the revised Alaska Coastal Management (ACMP) statutes at AS 46.39 and AS 46.40 and the new ACMP regulations 11 AAC 110, 11 AAC 112, and 11 AAC 114.

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough is providing the following opportunities for public comment:

Monday, January 9, 2006
MSB Planning Commission Meeting
6:30 p.m. Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly Chambers
350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska

Tuesday, February 7, 2006
MSB Borough Assembly Meeting
7:00 p.m. Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly Chambers
350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska

Comments may be provided at the Public Hearings, or by mail, fax, or email to Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Planning Division, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, AK 99645. Fax 907-745-9876 or e-mail: slee@matsugov.us. Comments received prior to the public hearings will be included in the Planning Commission and Assembly packets for their review and information.

The Final Draft of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough CMP is available at the following websites:
www.matsugov.us/planning/publicreviewdocuments.cfm
and http://www.larocheandassociates.com/Projects/matsu/s_dwnld.html

Copies of the Final Draft may be reviewed in the Borough Administration Office in Palmer and the Final Draft of the MSB CMP is available at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Department and the Palmer, Wasilla, Sutton, Talkeetna, Willow, Big Lake, and Trapper Creek Libraries.

For special assistance, more information, or to request additional copies of the draft (available in both CD and paper format), contact the MSB Coastal Program Coordinator, Susan Lee at 907-745-9862 or slee@matsugov.us or Elizabeth Benson with Bristol Environmental & Engineering Services, Inc. at 907-563-0013 or ebenson@beesc.com.

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Individuals with disabilities who may need auxiliary aids, services, or special modifications to participate in the public meetings or to comment on the Final Draft should contact the MSB Coastal Program Coordinator, Susan Lee at 907-745-9862 or slee@matsugov.us.

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 05-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDING THAT THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY SUPPORT THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH'S REVISED COASTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, the original coastal management plan for the Matanuska-Susitna Borough took effect in 1981; and

WHEREAS, HB 191 mandated significant revisions to the MSB Coastal Management Plan in May 2003; and

WHEREAS, the State regulations implementing HB 191 became effective on July 1 and October 29, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Coastal Management Plan is being amended in accordance with the revised Alaska Coastal Management Program (ACMP) statutes at AS 46.39 and AS 46.40 and the new ACMP regulations at 11 AAC 110, 11 AAC 112, and 11 AAC 114; and

WHEREAS, if approved, this plan will guide the Matanuska-Susitna Borough's participation in the ACMP, a voluntary state program for the cooperative management of uses and activities in the coastal zone; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough has circulated this draft plan amendment for public review and comment in accordance with State law at 11 AAC 114.345; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough has considered all comments and resolutions received during the public review and comment period, and has incorporated any necessary changes in to the draft plan amendment; and

WHEREAS, this public participation in the plan amendment process helps ensure that the plan reflects the attitudes and values of the local residents regarding use of the district's coastal resources; and

WHEREAS, the information contained within the district plan and the public participation effort also provides important documentation of local usage relating to coastal uses and resources that are of unique concern to the district; and

WHEREAS, the entire coastal zone will be designated as a recreation and tourism use area, which will potentially address uses and activities that have a direct and significant impact on the physical, biological, and cultural features upon which the recreational and tourism uses of the rivers, lakes, and streams depend; and

WHEREAS, the designation of the Point MacKenzie AMSA will remain the same and not be included in the tourism and recreation use area because more detailed and area-specific considerations went into the AMSA planning process; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission held public hearings on April 18, 2005 and May 16, 2005 to receive comments on the public review draft plan amendment, and finds, based on public comment, that it is in the best interest of the district to grant concept approval to the plan; and

WHEREAS, State law at 11 AAC 114.345(c)(4) requires that a transition amendment to a district plan be submitted to the Department of Natural Resources with a resolution from the local government.

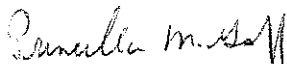
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission provides its support and approval to the revised Matanuska-Susitna Borough Coastal Management Plan.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission this
9th day of JANUARY, 2005.



MARK MASTELLER, Chair

ATTEST:


PRISCILLA M. GOFF, Planning Clerk

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